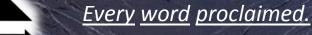
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#### HOW GREAT THOU ART

 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed,

Refrain

- Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!
- And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

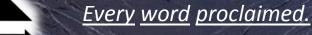
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3. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, And there proclaim, My God, how great thou art!

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#### "What in the World is Wrong With People?"

Titus 3:3-7

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#### Why do we need salvation?

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#### Eph 2:1-3

- 1 And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,
  - in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.
- 3 Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.

## 1 Cor 6:11

11 Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

## Col 1:21-22

- 21 And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds,
- 22 yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach

## 1 Peter 4:3-4

- 3 For the time already past is sufficient for you to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles, having pursued a course of sensuality, lusts, drunkenness, carousing, drinking parties and abominable idolatries.
- 4 In all this, they are surprised that you do not run with them into the same excesses of dissipation,

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### 7 things you need to know about sin:

- 1. Sin is not a defect in the evolutionary process that will ultimately be eliminated.
- 2. Sin breaks the law of God.

Law  $\rightarrow$  Standards  $\rightarrow$  Will  $\rightarrow$  Someone we are accountable to. When man sins there is:

- real guilt
- real condemnation
- real punishment
- \*\*So the existence of law in the universe, the revealed will of God, creates the foundation for:
- law-breaking and guilt and law-keeping and righteousness
- a court and a judge
- justification and condemnation.

If there is no law, no law-breaking; no law-breaking, no guilt; no guilt, no court; no court, no judge; no judge, no justification and no need for incarnation or crucifixion.

- 3. Sin has an absolute character. There are no gradations.
- 4. Sin always is related to God and His will.

Sin in any amount will distance us from God. *Is.* **59**:1,2

1 Behold, the Lord's hand is not so short

That it cannot save;

Nor is His ear so dull

That it cannot hear.

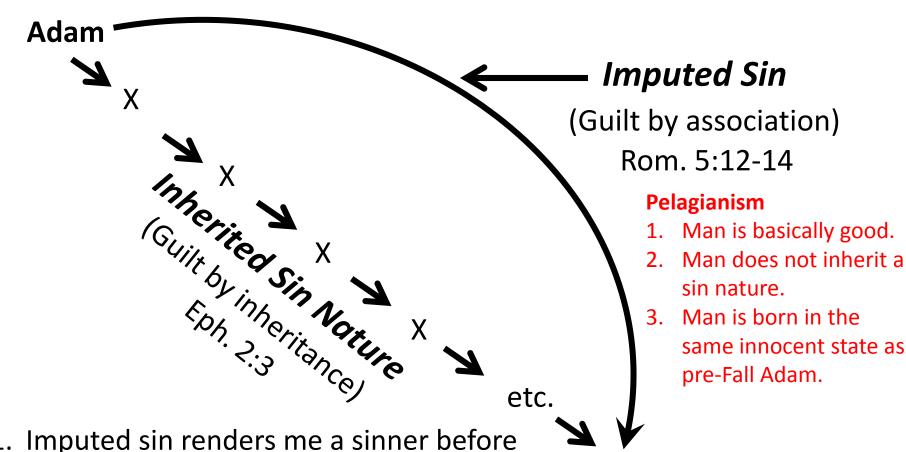
2 But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, And your sins have hidden His face from you so that He does not hear.

- 5. Sin is not only overt in its acts but corrupt in the pollution of man's nature.
- 6. Sin has its residence in the heart.

#### Jer 17:9

9 "The heart is more deceitful than all else, And is desperately sick;

7. Sin therefore is a lack of conformity to God's revealed will, and a refusal to hold God and His moral law at the center of his entire life.



- 1. Imputed sin renders me a sinner before I commit even 1 personal sin in my life.
- The Inherited Sin Nature is the "internal sin factory", and guarantee that I am a fallen creature, depraved in all areas.
- 3. Personal sin is the manifestation of my Inherited Sin Nature.

me -> Personal Sin

(Guilt by acts of disobedience.)

Rom. 3:23

#### Perfectionism

1. You as a believer can attain a state of sinless perfection.

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# ανοητοσ - "foolish" – lacking understanding, blind ignorance.

## 1 Cor 2:14

14 But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.

### 1 Cor 1:21

21 For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not come to know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

#### Eph 4:17-18

- 17 that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind,
- 18 being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart;

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 $\alpha \pi \epsilon \iota \theta \eta \sigma$  - "disobedient" - refusing to obey rules or someone in authority.

**National** President Congress Supreme Court Military State Governor Legislators State Courts **Highway Patrol** County & City **County Courts** Mayor **City Council** Sheriff & Police Personal Employer Parent **Church Elders** Husband

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 $\pi\lambda\alpha\nu\alpha\omega$  - "deceived", go astray, wander, to believe something that is not true,

#### 10 sources of deception -

#### 1. Satan.

#### Rev 12:9

9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world;

#### 2. False teachers.

#### 1 John 3:7

7 Little children, make sure no one deceives you; the one who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous;

#### 3. False Christs and false prophets.

#### Matt 24:24

24 "For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.

#### 4. Not understanding the Scriptures or the power of God.

#### Mark 12:24

24 Jesus said to them, "Is this not the reason you are mistaken, that you do not understand the Scriptures or the power of God?

#### 5. Pretenders coming in Jesus' name.

#### Matt 24:5

5 "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will mislead many.

#### 6. One's own self.

#### A. Whose going to heaven.

#### 1 Cor 6:9-10

- 9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,
- 10 nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.

## B. No consequences for sin.

#### Gal 6:7

7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.

#### C. It doesn't matter who my friends are.

### 1 Cor 15:33

33 Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals.

## 7. One's heart.

### Heb 3:10

10 "THEREFORE I WAS ANGRY WITH THIS GENERATION, AND SAID, 'THEY ALWAYS GO ASTRAY IN THEIR HEART,

## 8. Evil men and imposters.

## 2 Tim 3:13-14

13 But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

## 9. Babylon.

#### Rev 18:21-23

- 21 "So will Babylon, the great city, be thrown down with violence, and will not be found any longer.
- 22 "And the sound of harpists and musicians and flute-players and trumpeters will not be heard in you any longer; and no craftsman of any craft will be found in you any longer; and the sound of a mill will not be heard in you any longer;
- 23 and the light of a lamp will not shine in you any longer; and the voice of the bridegroom and bride will not be heard in you any longer; for your merchants were the great men of the earth, because all the nations were deceived by your sorcery.

# *10. The Antichrist's false prophet.* **Rev** 13:11-14

- 11 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon.
- 12 He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.
- 13 He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men.
- 14 And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform,

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επιθυμια - lust - the varied cravings of fallen human nature pursued in the interest of self.

- money
- sex
- power
- cars
- houses
- position
- pleasure
- popularity
- alcohol
- drugs
- murder
- rape

## ηδονη – "hedonism" - pleasure, sensual delight Luke 8:14

14 "The seed which fell among the thorns, these are the ones who have heard, and as they go on their way they are choked with worries and riches and pleasures of this life,

## James 4:3

3 You ask and do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, so that you may spend it on your pleasures.

## 2 Peter 2:19

19 for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved.

## John 8:34

34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin."

## Rom 6:12-13

- 12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts,
- 13 and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness;

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κακια - malice - a vicious disposition, evilness, ill-will, spitefulness, a desire to hurt another and rejoice in it!

φθονοσ - envy - to feel a grudging discontent aroused by the possessions, achievements, or qualities of another along with the desire to have for oneself something possessed by another.

## Rom 1:28-29

28 And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God any longer, God gave them over to a depraved mind, to do those things which are not proper,

29 being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malice; they are gossips,

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στυγνητοσ - hateful - adjective μισεο – hating – verb - ongoing way of life

**Hating** means to have a strong aversion or to dislike strongly, with the implication of hostility.

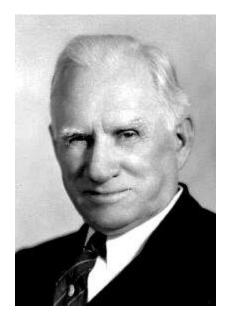
## Application

- 1. Sin and death are the great common denominators of the human race.
- 2. Left alone on this planet, man would eventually destroy himself because of sin.
- 3. There is no pride in our salvation.

George Whitefield said when he saw a criminal going to the gallows, "there but for the grace of God go I."

## William Reed Newell 1868-1956

- In 1895, he became assistant superintendent of the Moody Bible Institute in Chicago.
- •He was also known for his Biblical commentaries on Romans, Hebrews, and the Book of Revelation.



#### AT CALVARY

 Years I spent in vanity and pride, Caring not my Lord was crucified, Knowing not it was for me He died on Calvary.

#### Refrain

#### Mercy there was great, and grace was free; Pardon there was multiplied to me; There my burdened soul found liberty at Calvary.

By God's Word at last my sin I learned;
Then I trembled at the law I'd spurned,
Till my guilty soul imploring turned to Calvary.

#### Refrain

3. Now I've given to Jesus everything, Now I gladly own Him as my king, Now my raptured soul can only sing of Calvary!

#### Refrain

4. Oh, the love that drew salvation's plan!Oh, the grace that brought it down to man!Oh, the mighty gulf that God did span at Calvary!

#### Refrain